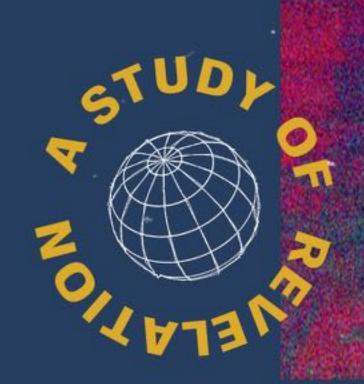
THE MAJESTY OF

TELATION 2-3 Pt 4 - PHILADELPHIA & LAODICEA





PHILADELPHIA: The Faithful Church (Rev 3:7-13)

REVELATION 3:7-9

7 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens. 8 "I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

PHILADELPHIA: The Faithful Church (Rev 3:7-13)

REVELATION 3:10-11

9 Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. 10 Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. 11 I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown.

PHILADELPHIA: The Faithful Church (Rev 3:7-13)

REVELATION 3:12-13

12 The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name.

13 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

"Churches may not be large or strong, but they can have the faith and love to go through the doors of service that Christ has opened with his key." -Warren Wiersbe

1 PETER 4:10-11

10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11 whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies-in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

"In a similar way, the Father has handed the keys of authority to God's heavenly blessings to Christ alone. Christ controls access to the Father's spiritual treasury, turning difficult situations into wonderful opportunities. Here Jesus claims unrivaled sovereignty over the church, the storehouse of God's wisdom and the pillar and support of truth (1 Tim 3:15)." -Chuck Swindoll

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

I If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

"We don't want to limit God or His plan because we're seeing things only from our limited perspective. He has some things for us that are beyond our comprehension. We need to turn our attention away from our 'little power' to His all-sufficient provision." -Chuck Swindoll

LAODICEA: The Apathetic Church (Rev 3:14-22)

REVELATION 3:14-17

14 "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: 'The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation. 15 "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! 16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. 17 For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked.

LAODICEA: The Apathetic Church (Rev 3:14-22)

REVELATION 3:18-20

18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. 19 Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

LAODICEA: The Apathetic Church (Rev 3:14-22)

REVELATION 3:21-22

21 The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. 22 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

"Why does the body vomit something? Why does it recoil violently at the presence of certain substances? Because they are incompatible with the body. Vomiting is the body's way of rejecting anything it cannot handle. What's the point? God can't stomach lukewarm faith. He is angered by a religion that puts on a show but ignores the service." -Max Lacado

HEBREWS 1:2-3A

2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.